

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A multifunctional support for a motor vehicle ~~with comprising:~~  
[[-]] a retaining section ~~for fastening~~ to fasten the multifunctional support on an assembly support of a motor vehicle door;  
[[-]] an elongated window guide connected to the retaining section for a window pane; and  
[[-]] fastening points for fastening a ~~door lock~~ functional element on the multifunctional support

wherein the retaining section is connected to the window guide along ~~an elongated a~~ longitudinally extended subsection of the multifunctional support, the longitudinally extended subsection having two terminal zones;

wherein the retaining section ~~is connected~~ in one terminal zone of the longitudinally extended subsection is connected substantially rigidly to the window guide and the retaining section in the other terminal zone of the longitudinally extended subsection is connected flexibly to the window guide.

2. (Currently Amended) The multifunctional support according to claim 1 wherein on the multifunctional support there is at least one fastening point for [[a]] the functional element of the motor vehicle door, ~~more particularly a door lock,~~ in the vicinity of the ~~second other~~ terminal zone of the longitudinally extended subsection of the ~~window guide~~ multifunctional support.

3. (Previously Presented) The multifunctional support according to claim 1, wherein a recess is provided in the multifunctional support along the extension direction of the subsection between the two terminal zones of the subsection.

4. (Currently Amended) The multifunctional support according to claim 1, wherein ~~at least one deformable region of the multifunctional support is provided for the flexible connection of~~

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the retaining section to a in the other terminal zone of the subsection comprises at least one deformable region.

5. (Currently Amended) The multifunctional support according to claim 4, wherein the deformable region is formed on at least one of the retaining section and the window guide.

6. (Previously Presented) The multifunctional support according to claim 4, wherein the deformable region is integrated in one piece in the multifunctional support.

7. (Previously Presented) The multifunctional support according to claim 1, wherein the retaining section and the window guide are formed in one piece with each other and the multifunctional support is formed in one piece overall.

8. (Currently Amended) The multifunctional support according to claim 1, wherein the retaining section and the window guide as well as the multifunctional support as a whole are made of plastics plastic.

9. (Currently Amended) The multifunctional support according to claim 1, wherein through the flexible connection of the retaining section at one in the other terminal zone of the longitudinally extended subsection, the retaining section is movable relative to the window guide along at least one spatial direction.

10. (Currently Amended) The multifunctional support according to claim 9, wherein the retaining section is movable relative to the window guide perpendicular to the extension direction of the subsection between the two terminal zones of the subsection. window guide

11. (Currently Amended) The multifunctional support according to claim 9, wherein the retaining section is movable relative to the window guide - in relation to the installed state of the multifunctional support in a motor vehicle door – along [[the]] at least one of a vehicle longitudinal axis and/or the a horizontal vehicle transverse axis.

12. (Currently Amended) The multifunctional support according to claims 2 claim 4, wherein

two fastening points are provided ~~for the functional element, more particularly door lock, either, one on each side of the deformable region.~~

13. (Currently Amended) The multifunctional support according to claim [[2]] 12, wherein one fastening point for the functional element is provided on the retaining section and one fastening point is provided on the window guide.

14. (Currently Amended) The multifunctional support according to claim 1, wherein one fastening point for the functional element ~~is designed to provide~~ provides a play connection so that the functional element ~~can move restricted~~ has restricted movement relative to this fastening point and another fastening point for the functional element ~~is designed to provide~~ provides a rigid connection, ~~more particularly as fastening opening for a screw or rivet.~~

15. (Currently Amended) The multifunctional support according to claim 14, wherein the one fastening point for the functional element has a sliding guide so that the functional element is displaceable relative to this fastening point and [[that]] has a detent element ~~is provided~~ which forms a stop.

16. (Previously Presented) The multifunctional support according to claim 14, wherein the two fastening points are arranged on regions of the multifunctional support which deform differently.

17. (Previously Presented) The multifunctional support according to claim 3, wherein the one fastening point projects over the recess of the multifunctional support.

18. (Currently Amended) The multifunctional support according to claim 1, wherein the window guide has two fastening locations ~~points~~ spaced out from each other along ~~their~~ the extension direction of the subsection for fastening on a door body, wherein ~~whereby~~ the fastening ~~points~~ locations lie, respectively, in ~~the region of the two ends~~ opposite end regions of the ~~longitudinally extended~~ elongated window guide.

19. (Currently Amended) The multifunctional support according to claim 18, wherein a

fastening point for fastening a door lock on the multifunctional support is mounted between the two fastening points locations for fastening the window guide on the door body.

20. (Currently Amended) The multifunctional support according to claim 19, wherein the fastening point for the door lock placed between the two fastening points locations for the window guide ~~is designed for~~ comprises a flat surface contact against the door lock so that forces acting on the multifunctional support is transferable to the door body through the combination of the window guide and the door lock.

21. (Previously Presented) The multifunctional support according to claim 1, wherein fastening points are provided on the multifunctional support for a security cover for covering regions of a door lock.

22. (Previously Presented) The multifunctional support according to claim 1, wherein a bearing section is formed on the multifunctional support for a door outside handle holder.

23. (Previously Presented) The multifunctional support according to claim 22, wherein fastening points for the door outside handle holder are flexibly linked to the bearing section.

24. (Previously Presented) The multifunctional support according to claim 1, wherein at least one holder for an electric cable is formed on the multifunctional support.

25. (Currently Amended) The multifunctional support according to claim 1, ~~wherein guide means further comprising a guide that is arranged for introducing a window pane into a guide channel of the window guide are provided on the multifunctional support.~~

26. (Currently Amended) The multifunctional support according to claim 25, wherein the guide channel has a sliding guide whose one free end is held widened out by the guide ~~means~~.

27. (New) The multifunctional support of claim 1 wherein the functional element is a door lock.